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A 50-Year Alliance

Treaty Signed At Dunkirk

Dunkirk, Mar. 5.
A treaty binding France and Britain to act jointly against any possible future aggression by Germany, and pledging the two countries to a 50-year alliance was signed here today by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin and M. Georges Bidault.

The pact also calls for mutual action, by France and Britain, in case Germany defaults in any economic obligations imposed in her surrender or in the forthcoming German peace settlement.

The two countries under the treaty's terms also will "take all possible steps to promote the prosperity and economic stability" of each other.

All the treaty's provisions are subject to the provisions of the United Nations Charter.

Mr. Bevin and Mr. Bidault affixed their signatures in the tiny Dunkirk

Text of Alliance

The text of the 50-year Anglo-French Alliance appears on page 4.

subprefecture building—the largest structure still standing in the devastated city where, in 1940, Hitler's troops inflicted on Britain her greatest defeat of World War II.

A joint statement of the Foreign Ministers after the ceremony said "the Anglo-French treaty of alliance and mutual assistance defines arrangements worked out between the two powers for establishing a firm basis and within the framework of collective security as laid down by the Charter of the United Nations, the reciprocal and special guarantee which they contemplate to prevent the recurrence of a German menace." — Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Serious Coal Situation

HONGKONG is beginning to scrape the bottom of her coal bin, existing stocks being such that some measure of gas rationing will become inevitable unless shipments are delivered very soon. Immediate cause of the colony's coal shortage is a strike in Calcutta which is tying up both coal and ships scheduled for Hongkong. There appears to be no early prospects of a settlement and it may be that our February coal allocations will not arrive for several weeks. That such a situation has arisen may tempt one to condemn those responsible for maintaining Hongkong's coal stocks, on the grounds that apparently there has been a breakdown in planning for the present contingency. But any such criticism must take into consideration a variety of factors. Most important is that the whole world today is suffering acutely from shortage of coal, as well as labour to mine it. World coal famine is on the same level as rice and grain shortages. Because of this coal has to be rationed out. Hongkong is not permitted to go into the world market and obtain whatever coal she can. She has to accept allocations in the same way as rice. These allocations are made by the Washington and London Coal Boards and they are based on available supplies. True to date, Hongkong has received roughly five-fifths of her requirements under the allocation scheme.

Automatically the question comes to mind: what about coal from China and Japan? Here again Hongkong is thwarted. The majority of China's coal fields were so badly damaged as a result of the war that she cannot spare a single ton for export. General MacArthur has said that Japan needs all her coal for rehabilitation services, although it is a fact that, under an agreement made very early in the occupation days, Japan promised to supply Hongkong with a certain amount of coal, and she has honoured this agreement. However, this has to be included in the colony's total coal allocation and is not an additional intake. Thirdly, there is the question of cost. Hongkong at the moment is faced with the danger of having to take American coal which costs just about twice as much as coal from Britain, South Africa and elsewhere. It is, in fact, prohibitive in price, and its use would entail either a heavy subsidy or a soaring of fuel and power charges.

The position is admittedly disconcerting, rendered more so by the knowledge that neither the government nor private concerns can do much about it. Everything hinges on the Calcutta strike being settled and Hongkong's February coal allocation coming forward quickly. In the meantime, gas consumers should prepare themselves for possible restrictions.

MAN WHO CAPTURED RUDOLF HESS IN H.K.

Mr Daniel McBride To Tell His Own Story

"TELEGRAPH" EXCLUSIVE

The man who really captured Rudolf Hess in Scotland when the former deputy Nazi Fuehrer landed there in May, 1941, is now in Hongkong. He is Mr. Daniel McBride, pumpman of the Empire Garden, which at present is being "tidied up" at Tai Koo dockyard.

Mr McBride is to tell exclusively to "Telegraph" readers the story of how he arrested Hess on that early summer evening, and of the conversation he had with the Nazi No. 2 in a lonely Scottish farmhouse.

A considerable amount of secrecy has always veiled the landing of Hess in Scotland on May 10, 1941. First official reports were so vague as to leave the general public, both at home and elsewhere, "all at sea."

Later, reports came through to Hongkong that a farmer, one David McLean, had been the man responsible for capturing Hess and who had held him in his farmhouse until a military escort arrived.

When newsmen attempted to penetrate McLean to reinvent the scene, he refused on the grounds that he was not "fitted for film work."

To-day, nearly six years after the event, Mr. Daniel McBride is able to disclose that it was he, and not McLean, who first caught Hess after he had liberated himself from his parachute. It was McBride, and not he, who took Hess to the farmhouse; and that he was the only man to talk with Hess until a Home Guard escort arrived at the farmstead and took the Nazi into custody.

Mr. McBride's lips have been sealed until now because, until his demobilisation, he was subject to secrecy regarding his part in the affair.

Now, he says, the full and true story can be told, and he offers it, in his own words, to "Telegraph" readers.

The story will appear in two instalments, the first to-morrow, and the second on Friday.

FIRST WAR VETERAN

Mr. Daniel McBride was born at Wemyss Bay, Scotland. He was serving his apprenticeship as an engineer fitter when World War I broke out. In 1915 he joined up with the Royal Naval Division and found himself in France. He served through the war until 1919.

He says he only managed to get into the Royal Naval Division because they reduced their minimum height for an enlisted man to five feet two; he is five feet four.

After the war, Mr. McBride joined the merchant service as a fireman. In 1930 he became a "landlubber," by which time he had been promoted to third engineer. He started to write short stories and had 10 of them published—mostly of the adventure type—before, but based on fact and personal experience.



RUDOLF HESS

CANADA TO GO OWN WAY

Ottawa, March 5.
The Secretary of External Affairs told Parliament yesterday that Canada would have her own foreign policy and not speak through Britain even though she might fail to get all she wants in foreign councils.

Mr. Louis St. Laurent made a statement during the all-day debate centred around Canada's failure to obtain full role in shaping the German-Austrian peace treaties, principally because of Soviet objections.

As a possible way out of the difficulty, Mr. St. Laurent said, "We should take advantage of our membership in the British Empire... we fought as an empire and we should make treaties in the same way."

Mr. Louis St. Laurent said he was "in very sharp disagreement" with Mr. Green's remarks. — Associated Press.

Riots Flare Up In Lahore

New Delhi, Mar. 4.
Communal riots flaring up through Lahore's streets, killed 30 persons and injured 47 students and policemen to-day.

An 11-hour curfew was immediately imposed and troops were called out to prevent the situation from getting out of hand. Hindu and Sikh followers baited Moslems who had proposed an all-Moslem League. Ministry for the province in place of the coalition Ministry which collapsed on Sunday night.

The rioters tossed bricks and bottles and swung lathis, causing the police to fire 20 rounds on them.

Hindu and Sikh businessmen shut their shops in protest against a Moslem Ministry. Hindu and Sikh leaders told the Governor, Sir Evans Jenkins, that they would never accept Moslem rule. — United Press.

STOP PRESS Test Match

Smith added 10 runs to his over night score before being caught by Tallon behind the wicket off Lindwall, when England's second innings in the fifth Test at Sydney was resumed this morning. Smith had scored 24.

Compton continued to bat carefully after being joined by Bedser, and the total was raised to 169 for 7.

United Press adds that the wicket appeared to be in good condition and not likely to take excessive spin. Another large crowd was present at the start of play.

ENGLAND ALL OUT

England were all out for 106, Australia requiring 214 to win. Compton, b. Toshack 76, Bedser, at Tallon, b. McCool 4, Wright not out 1. Hutton did not bat. — United Press.

LUNCH SCORE

Australia, 2nd Inns. 22 for no wicket. Barnes not out 17, Morris not out 5. — United Press.

ETNA DANGER NOW OVER

Rome, Mar. 5.
The Ministry of the Interior announced last night that Mount Etna had ceased erupting, and assured Sicilian mountain dwellers they are in no further danger because the flow of lava is expected to advance only a few feet before it cools and hardens. — Associated Press.

Palestine And UNO

Moves To Expedite Inquiry

Lake Success, Mar. 5.
United Nations Officials were reported to have taken preliminary steps to expedite immediately the inquiry into the Palestine problem, when, and if the big five powers give the go ahead signal.

Although Britain has not yet placed the case before the United Nations, formerly, authoritative quarters said that Mr. Arkady Sobolev, Assistant Secretary General in charge of Political Affairs, already had directed his aides to begin "putting together the basic factual material."

This preparation was started immediately after the Secretary General, Dr. Trygve Lie, in his talks with the big Powers' representatives advanced a proposal that a United Nations Fact Finding Commission be established to study the problem and draft the recommendations before the General Assembly meets in September.

Informed quarters also reported that plans for an economic commission for Asia and the Orient would be laid before the United Nations Economic and Social Council within the next few days.

A small group of experts who had been working on the plans behind closed doors for several weeks met twice on Tuesday and were said to be planning to submit their recommendations to the Council by Thursday or Friday. — Associated Press.

Greece Appeals To U.S. For Money

Washington, Mar. 5.
The Greek government in an urgent plea for American aid, asked the United States for funds to meet their immediate needs and also for American economic and technical experts.

The State Department published the text of the note which said that Greece now is "without funds to finance their imports, even of those consumption goods that are most essential for their subsistence."

The note said that Greece needs the funds to make the immediate purchases to enable the civil and military forces to restore security and to create means of self-support for the future.

No specific sums were mentioned. Earlier, the Secretary of State, General Marshall had said that the aid to Greece is "a matter of primary importance to the United States."

TREATED AS URGENT

It was the first formal statement made by the Administration since last week's top secret White House conference. Marshall said that the matter had received President Truman's urgent attention and confirmed that it had been discussed with the Congressional leaders.

General Marshall promised that President Truman will very soon give a full explanation of what action the Government contemplates to bolster the anti-communist Athens regime.

The 250 word statement was issued by the State Department as Marshall was preparing to depart for the Moscow conference on Wednesday. It made quite clear that "in the light of the world situation" the United States was disposed to help. It set the stage for a decision—which Congress must share on the large scale aid.

Marshall disclosed that Greece has appealed to the United States directly. Meanwhile there have been discussions with Britain which "likewise had been bending every effort to help."

The note of the crisis was heightened last week by a note from Britain reportedly pleading inability to continue the financial support of Greece, as a postwar bulwark against further spread of the Soviet domination.

MILLIONS INVOLVED

Congressional leaders were understood to have been told that the taking over of British commitments would involve probably \$250,000,000 in relief, outlays and credits this year.

Snow Returns To England

London, Mar. 4.
A swirling blizzard blanketed London with a fresh coat of snow late to-day and battered England's South-east coast with rain and sleet, whipped by gusts of rain ranging up to 60 m.p.h.

Temperatures dropped below freezing point after a brief thaw and roads were described as very dangerous in and around London.

Drifts piled up rapidly on East Anglia roads which had been cleared only a week ago. Visibility was only 15 yards in some places and traffic was virtually at a standstill.

The Air Ministry predicted a thaw would follow the storm late to-night and that rain would melt most of the snow before it froze. — United Press.

Korean Govt. To Be Set Up

Not Recognised By U.S. Authorities

Seoul, Mar. 4.

A "Korean Provisional Government" headed by Syngman Rhee as President and Kim Koo as Vice-President, but not recognised by the U.S. Army will be promulgated within 48 hours, reliable sources said to-day.

Kim Koo, former President of the wartime Korean Provisional Government in Chungking, has lined up with representatives of Kim Sung-soo's Democratic Party and Rhee's nominally non-political National Association for the Advancement of Korean Independence, to form this government.

A public announcement is expected as soon as Kim Koo and the Democratic Party can settle their differences over Cabinet posts. It is believed Kim Koo is holding out for the Chungking regime with himself as President and Rhee as Vice-President. Influential Democratic Party members however hold out for Rhee as head of the Provisional Government.

U.S. military authorities said the Military Government has no choice but to ignore the Provisional Government. — United Press.

CRITICISES RUSSIA

Washington, Mar. 4.
Representative Paul Shafer, Republican of Michigan, in a speech prepared for delivery on the House floor, said to-day that the United States should demand that Russia keep her promise to reunite Korea and set up a true national provisional government.

He said "the present policy of doing nothing is 'selling' Korea down the river, the same as Poland." "If the United States is to have a position of respect and prestige in the Orient the pledges we have made to the Korean people must be made good. The United States could not win friends by denying the Korean people self-government, maintaining censorship, preventing their trading with the rest of the world and treating them not as Allies, which they were, but as enemies, which they were not," he stated.

He charged Russia is trying every way possible to entrench Communism in North Korea and inflame Communist "hate" and "bitterness" every day which makes it more difficult to reach a solution promised by the Cairo 1945 declaration more difficult. — United Press.

Britain And U.S. Coal Supplies

London, Mar. 4.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, said in the House of Commons to-day that the Government was carefully considering a suggestion that Britain ascertain whether the United States could spare coal for Britain without reducing allocations to other countries.

Other possibilities also were being considered, Mr. Attlee said during question period. Mr. Attlee had previously rejected an offer by President Truman to divert to Britain coal ships bound for other nations. — United Press.

NEW YORK STRIKE

New York, Mar. 4.

A strike early this morning completely shut down the Cotton Exchange Building and called out all clerks on the floor of the Cotton Exchange, elevator operators and other building maintenance workers.

Sympathy strikes shut down the power plant of the 23-story building and also such things as barber shops inside it.

The walkout followed termination of a contract with the United Financial Employees Organisation which ended last midnight. — United Press.

Tommy Guns Seek Out Terrorists

BY ELIAV SIMON

Jerusalem, Mar. 4.

British troops, with tommy guns and battle equipment, mounted into orange groves of Hedert district to-day to ferret out terrorists who attacked a supply depot last night and wounded two soldiers.

Some quarters speculated that the operation might presage the extension of martial law to North Palestine.

I have just returned from a flying visit by car around the coastal martial-law area, which I found—contrary to alarming reports circulating—quite normal.

I went through Tel-Aviv, Ramat-Gan, Ben-brak, Petah-Tikva, and found life continuing in full swing as if nothing had happened.

It is true, as I was told by Tel-Aviv's Mayor Rokah, that 12,000 men were likely to be unemployed if the situation did not change. But the Mayor added that he was optimistic about overcoming all difficulties.

A CHALLENGE

"To us this is a challenge," he declared. "This has given us a test whether we are able to manage ourselves without outside help."

The Mayor pointed out that the average Tel-Avivian probably had more than the average Englishman in Britain as food trucks rolled in continuously.

Abraham Krimli, Mayor of Ramat-Gan, said some men were already out of work there due to lack of raw materials, "but we are tackling this question."

"If this Army had intelligence and took a good look at things," he said, "they would be convinced that the only way of dealing with things here is to open the gates of the country. It is no use answering evil with evil. Joseph Sapir, Mayor of Petah-Tikva, a half-century old Jewish colony which is reputed to be a hotbed of extremists, said there were 4,000 unemployed there because several plants were closed down and orange groves were inaccessible.

"But we do not believe this will disturb our economy," he added.

DOGGED CONFIDENCE

Their cheerful information sounded like propaganda until I met several scores of people from all standards of life, who were doggedly sure that things could right themselves before long.

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HITCH IN PLAN TO OBTAIN ADVANCE REPARATIONS FROM JAPAN

Washington, Mar. 5.
It has been authoritatively learned that the Far East Commission move to make advance Japanese reparations to China and a few other needy countries, has encountered difficulty within the Far East Commission itself.

It is understood that the French member of the Commission objected as the proposal failed to mention Indo-China, while Australia urged complete settlement of the reparations issue before any individual claimant received payment.

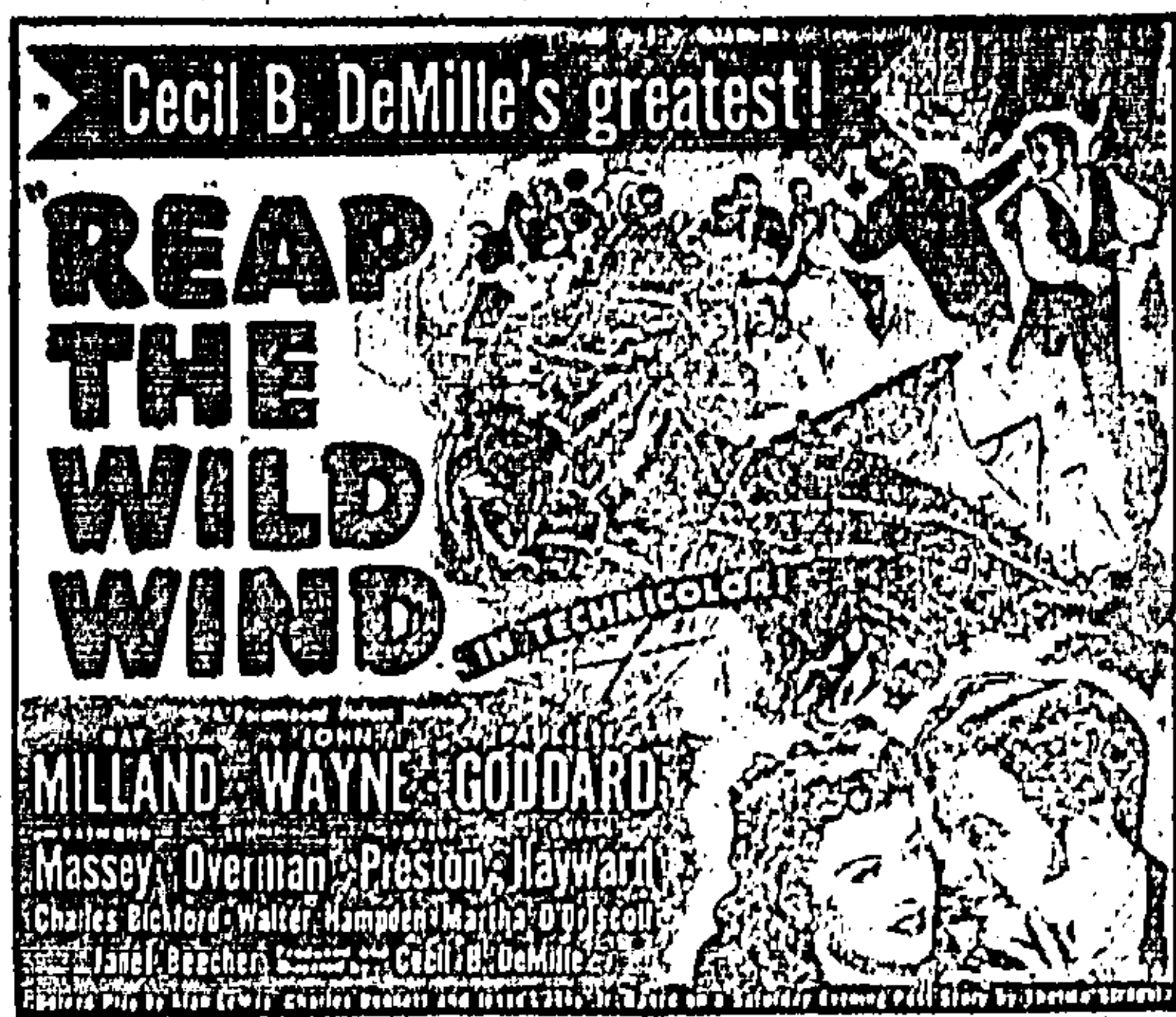
The other especially needy countries mentioned were the Philippines, Malaya, and the Netherlands East Indies as the areas of Asia most devastated.

It was authoritatively indicated the United States hopes the proposal eventually will gain the Commission's approval but if it fails, American possibly will issue an informal directive to General MacArthur, authorising the proposed advance payments.

Meanwhile, Korea and its problems under Oriental issue receiving high level official consideration in Washington within recent days.

The War, State and Commerce departments began inter-departmental conferences seeking a solution of the Russo-American impasse in Korea. — Associated Press.

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Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

WHEN the doomed and hysterical American middle classes were about to lose all their money in the financial crash of 1929, the calm voice of that great thinker and philosopher Mary Pickford, through some syndicated uplift in the American newspapers, advised them to "sit down quietly and count their blessings."

The doomed middle classes did nothing of the kind. They were too busy counting what money they had left.

So instead of telling themselves "If I've lost all my money I've still got Mamma" (what a nice little song that would have made at the time) they threw good money after bad, shot themselves in the head and flung themselves from the tops of high buildings in Wall-street.

No suggestion is intended here that a financial crash is imminent in Britain. Few of us have any money to lose. Nor am I suggesting that any, or all, of you boys and girls are doomed.

But I do think that in these puzzling times it may be as well to take Mary's advice.

So let us count our blessings together, you and I.

Blessing No. 1

THE greatest single cause of mass discontent in Britain to-day is income tax. At one time it affected only a few people, who could mumble and grumble in their clubs about it without affecting the life of the nation.

Now it affects nearly everybody, causing them to strive for trivial reasons or no reasons at all. Small grievances become big ones when a third to half your money is taken away from you each week and there's nothing much to buy with what's left.

But consider what the money that is taken from you is doing for others.

According to the Russians your money has put the King of Greece back on the throne, with a salary of £1,000 a week free of income tax. The Russians are not suggesting that you are paying the King of Greece £1,000 a week (they may suggest this later) but they are suggesting that but for the 50,000 British troops in Greece the king would still be piggling it at Claridge's Hotel.

And your money has certainly paid for the upkeep of British troops in Greece.

Blessing No. 2

THEN consider India. After howling for self-government for as long as I can remember (and long before that), the Indians have got it at last, and are now engaged in murdering each other.

If you can believe everything you hear about India there is nothing an Indian likes so much as murdering another Indian.

At one time they murdered each other by the million, either by famine or disease or by the straightforward method of the juggernaut, or early bulldozer.

Under British rule much of this fun was stopped. The national Indian pastime was cut down to a few thousand murders a year. Disaffection spread. Agitation for self-government increased. Gandhi went on swallowing dates and goat's milk, waiting for the day. And when it came the boys were at each other with clubs, knives, guns and bottles.

Well, I don't know the cause of it all. I only know it has happened.

But can you, as an interfering Christian, let it go on?
Certainly not. Something must come out of your pay packet every week so that British troops can stop Indians doing what they like doing.

Blessing No. 3

THERE is also Palestine. Again I know little of the argument except that Jews want to get into Palestine and Arabs want to keep them out.

To anybody but an Englishman this might seem a fairly simple quarrel which the boys could settle among themselves. Americans, apart from pleasing voters in New York hanging on to Arab oil concessions and offering criticism, are doing nothing about it. They don't care to be unpopular, I suppose, and don't care to spend the money either.

But Englishmen don't seem to care if they are popular or not. And they certainly don't care how much of your money they spend to make themselves hated by everybody concerned. Therefore, a little more must come out of your pay packet so that you can go on poking your nose into Palestine.

NEVERTHELESS, count all these as blessings, brother.

If you have put the King of Greece back on the throne you have no doubt made him happy. He is probably the only man in the world who wants to be the King of Greece, even for £1,000 a week.

It is nice to make people happy; also nice to have a strategic point to defend in the next war.

WILLIAM HICKEY EX-SERVICE SERVICE

TONIC for a dull day is to count the number of little shops opening up all over Britain.

Hemmed and harried by restrictions and forms, defiant alike of combine and co-op, the small shopkeepers are getting back to the old stands and it is very good to see.

They are back from Alamein and Anzio, Matapan and Mandalay, in direct line of all the little men who have always been the backbone of Britain.

There are not so many grocers and milkmen and butchers as there ought to be because opening up is still controlled, but the plumber has got his board out, the radio man has a new down full of gadgets, there are pans in the little shop round the corner.

MR JOHN HENRY POOLE, who is secretary of the National Federation of Shopkeepers, was telling me how the private trader is "making a go of it" despite all difficulties, proof enough as he said "that you can't keep good men down."

CONFERENCE on mental health at which Mr. ANEURIN BEVAN was talking the other day is outcome of what is now a worldwide movement.

Founder was a burly, beetle-browed American called CLIFFORD WHITTINGHAM BEERS, one of the most brilliant and convincing talkers I have ever met.

He was mad. For three years he was a dangerous lunatic, strait-jacketed, locked in the padded cell. Then he recovered sanity, tried to escape the memories of ill-treatment in American asylums. To make such

things impossible he started the mental hygiene movement, gave to the study of insanity a stimulus which has brought relief and happiness to thousands.

Beers, now 60, has been honoured by most of the world's countries and in America the sales of his autobiography are exceeded only by the Bible.

It used to be the prerogative of Lord BALDWIN, when Prime Minister, to smoke his cherry-wood pipe at a banquet even though ladies were present.

At the London House dinner the Archbishop of CANTERBURY put out his pipe with Mr. ATTLEE sitting near to him. A few minutes later Mr. ATTLEE pulled out his briar and lit up. They smoked throughout the evening.

WONDROUS new coat of arms which so delights the National Farmers' Union is less pleasing to Mr. SEBELA de QUINCEY, of Halesworth, Suffolk. She suggests, tartly, that a better design would be a "sloth dormant in a field of red tape."

FLAT broke, an airman went into a jeweller's shop in High Wycombe and asked to borrow £5. The Estate of Britain was on, lives and even fivers seemed cheap.

So he got it and went quickly, without even leaving his name.

A note was pushed through the jeweller's letter-box recently enclosing £5 and the remark "About time too."

FOOD left behind near the Bay of Whales on his last Antarctic expedition in 1941 has been found in good condition by Rear Admiral BYRD. He seems to think this newsworthy, but it is no record for preservation. Last war, lots of food was dug up in France left over from the war before. I ate some myself; it was as good as ever.

Much more interesting were the negatives in the camera of SALOMON AUGUST ANDREE, the Swedish balloonist, lost in 1897. They were found 34 years later, and the resulting photographs were widely published.

CLIPPED by J. C. WALLIS, of St. Heller, Jersey: "Wanted, managress with knowledge of cooking, reliable, good worker. Must have good appearance. Excellent references immaterial."

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

I THINK all these films about great composers and musicians would be much funnier if a slight change of formula were introduced.

When the maestro sits down to the piano and begins to pretend to play, the ensuing sounds should be those of a bomb. That would advertise the fact that it is not really the actor who is playing. A violinist should produce the music of a life and drum band, and a cellist the music of a flute. Shut your eyes and think of this innovation. Surely it would relieve the tedium considerably.

Listen to Mrs. Butter

MRS BUTTER writes: For three years I was a martyr to freckles. Then I took Freklot, and after the first dose my feet ceased to ache, and hair grew out of my ears. After the second dose I gained 19 pounds in weight, grew four inches, and discarded my spectacles. I am now taking the third dose, and can feel my shoulders itching.

Possibly

A SUGGESTION made by Prod-nose that this column should, from time to time, be conducted by a guest—Mrs. Wretch, Captain Foulmouth, Prod-nose himself, or some other well-known person—is being hotly considered by a Com-

mittee consisting of myself. One proviso will be that if their stuff makes me sick I am entitled to close down on the guest at a moment's notice. As I am now in conference on this matter, will readers please go away quietly.

Rustiguzzi and the expert

THAT great Impresario Agricola K. Hunchmeyer Jun, succeeded in inducing Rustiguzzi to visit a fashionable and expensive pathophys-chialist. The man of science picked up her hand and said solemnly: "What is this?" "My hand," said Rustiguzzi. "Did you think it was a champion marrow?" The man of science ignored the jest. "Your mental reflexes," he said, "are normal." "Yes," said Hunchmeyer, but what makes her sing about freckles in the middle of an opera?" The man of science held up his empty hand, palm upwards. "Do you see this plum?" he asked. "No," said Rustiguzzi. "Ah!" said the man of science. "No trace of sub-traumatic auto-pseudo-suggestion."

Greedy

There is no doubt that eventually sheer necessity will bring about the conquest of other planets. (From a lecture.)

BUT before these essential conquering necessity of flying to the moon must be dealt with.

POCKET CARTOON



According To Culbertson

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On defence it is vital to decide which suit you guard in. In contradiction to the suits you would like to keep "covered." Observe this deal:

North-South vulnerable

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♦ A K Q J 7 4
♦ 6
♦ A 3

WEST
♦ 10 8
♦ 8 6 5 3
♦ Q 8 4
♦ J 8 8 3

EAST
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♦ K 10 7 3 2
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SOUTH
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The bidding:
North 1♥, 2♥, 3♥, 4♥, 5♥, 6♥, 7♥, 8♥, 9♥, 10♥, 11♥, 12♥, 13♥, 14♥, 15♥, 16♥, 17♥, 18♥, 19♥, 20♥, 21♥, 22♥, 23♥, 24♥, 25♥, 26♥, 27♥, 28♥, 29♥, 30♥, 31♥, 32♥, 33♥, 34♥, 35♥, 36♥, 37♥, 38♥, 39♥, 40♥, 41♥, 42♥, 43♥, 44♥, 45♥, 46♥, 47♥, 48♥, 49♥, 50♥, 51♥, 52♥, 53♥, 54♥, 55♥, 56♥, 57♥, 58♥, 59♥, 60♥, 61♥, 62♥, 63♥, 64♥, 65♥, 66♥, 67♥, 68♥, 69♥, 70♥, 71♥, 72♥, 73♥, 74♥, 75♥, 76♥, 77♥, 78♥, 79♥, 80♥, 81♥, 82♥, 83♥, 84♥, 85♥, 86♥, 87♥, 88♥, 89♥, 90♥, 91♥, 92♥, 93♥, 94♥, 95♥, 96♥, 97♥, 98♥, 99♥, 100♥.

Later, South explained his six no trump bid as an attempt to sound out the chance for a grand slam. He should have been satisfied with his previous jump to three no trump and accepted the six-heart contract.

West got off to a good lead, the spade ten. When the deuce was played from dummy East properly ducked, to retain two stoppers, and South won with the ace of clubs.

The six heart tricks were now run off, and East plainly showed his misery about discarding. With every evidence of anguish he parted with three diamonds and one club, but when the last heart was relentlessly cashed, he could not stand himself to blank either the diamond king or the club queen. It was almost as though he had moaned, "I've given up enough cards in diamonds and clubs—I won't let go another one!" And, since there was only one other suit available, out came the seven of spades!

That, of course, was all declarer needed! He promptly conceded a spade trick, then could cash the spade ace and jack, one diamond and two clubs.

It is difficult to fathom how East could have thought that the blank king-ten of diamonds or the blank queen-five of clubs could be valuable. It is even harder to excuse his failure to realise that the one suit he had to guard was spades!

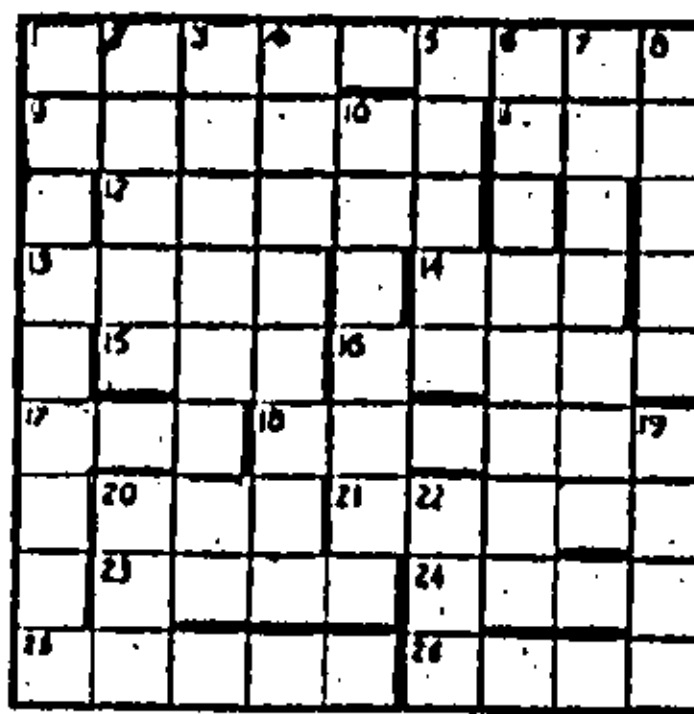
Rupert and Ninky—51



When Rupert speaks the conjurer gives a high and stops scolding. My tigerily nearly get me into trouble," he says. "All that cotton wool was under treatment. I was filling it with magic, but the work was only half done and now she has mixed it all up. You Ninky is full of half-magic and all he does is wrong. Never mind, I cure him for you with very precious star-dust." Reaching a slender jar from a shelf he tosses up a handful of sparkling dust so that it falls on and around the little donkey.

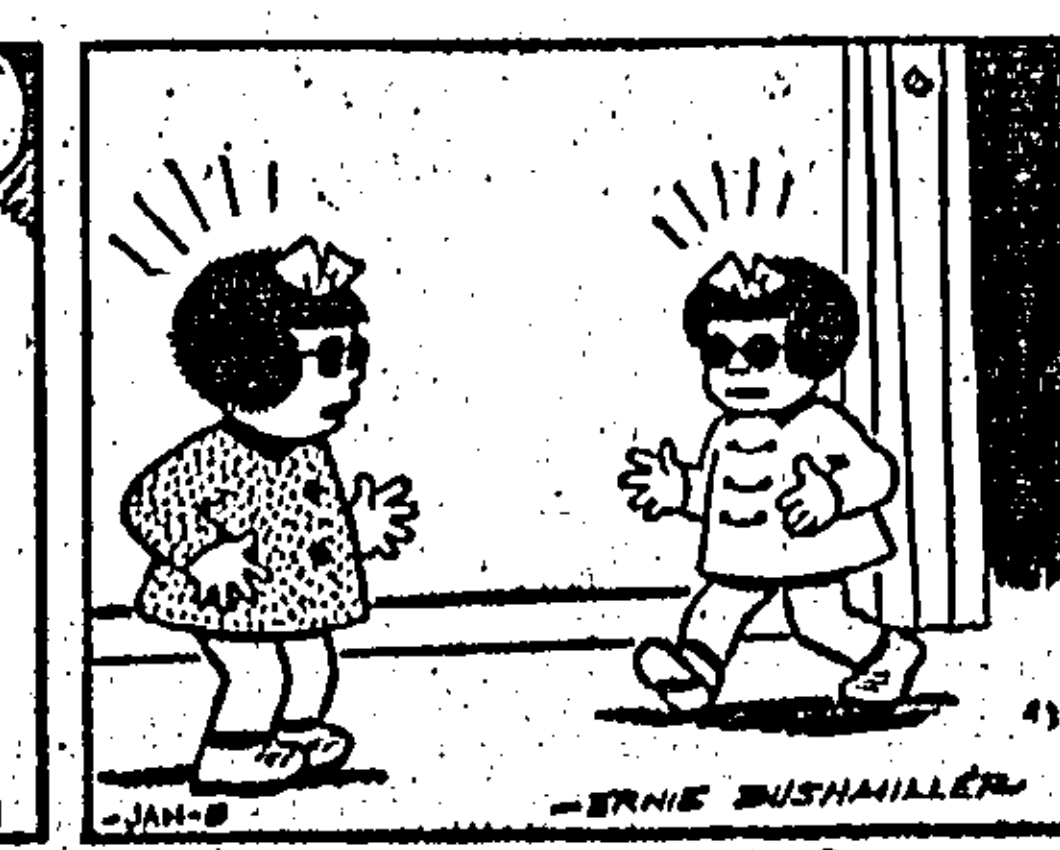
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CROSSWORD



17. This pet is an Australian cross animal. (8)
18. Enclosed cattle. (6)
19. This man is a lightning servant. (10)
20. Errol sort of island. (10)
21. Wartime entertainer. (6)
22. Film. (4)
23. In royal fashion. (6)
24. A bromide as a verb. (4)
Down
1. Not a commote for arms surely. (10)
2. Concerning a fight? (8)
3. To trail like this. (10)
4. The best fed like this. (8)
5. In great demand. (10)
6. He was not ready. (8)
7. Go back to the den. (7)
8. Often expressed as a request. (10)
9. To a place this means pudding. (7)
10. It assists greatly in fertilisation. (10)
11. This sea is not tussling. (8)
Across
1. Adam was the first of them. (8)
2. Omnipresence. (8)
3. Minus one. (3)
4. Not quite away from all. (8)
5. Your butcher. (5)
6. Draw. (4)
7. From the Door War. (8)
8. A start from white spasm. (8)
9. The front door may be. (5)

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"Dear Lois Leeds—My doctor says that I should not diet but I am so anxious to reduce. What do you think—MISS L. S.?"

I think that you are very foolish to be asking anyone's advice after consulting your doctor! He knows your physical condition and advises you properly.

"Dear Lois Leeds—My skin is so coarse. Can it be refined? It is overly oily.—D. E. E."

Use a liquefying cleansing cream. Tone your skin by patting with a "peppy" astringent and beautify it by the use of a cake makeup. It is best to apply rouge after your p-w-d.

"Dear Lois Leeds—I have deep bags under my eyes. The skin is loose and flabby. Would any cream help me?—MISS R. L."

Eye cream will tend to soften and smooth the skin but if the condition

Minnie Makeup
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You can't do a decent makeup in the dark. Light up your mirror, see how you look face to face and back to back! Look at your makeup job. Eyes must match, each cheek must be as rosy as the other. So, it's a good light that you need.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Dorothy wants to follow the career of a doctor, but I'm afraid she won't succeed—she's so awfully hard to wake up in the morning, let alone the middle of the night!"

Man May Live 150 Years, Health Study Indicates

Medical science is faced with the challenge to give man health so he can live to be 125 to 150 years, two scientists in research have concluded.

The combined statement was made by Dr Theodore L. Klumpp, president of the Winthrop Chemical Co., and Dr Maurice L. Tainter, director of the Sterling-Winthrop Research Institute.

"The success of our efforts to prolong existence to this supposed natural life span depends upon our ability to maintain the life line of blood supply to the body tissues," Dr Klumpp said. "Few die from old age; they die prematurely from degenerative diseases."

"With advances already made and without the benefit of spectacular discoveries that might come from research laboratories, it has been optimistically predicted that there will not be less than 2,000,000 people 65 years or older in the United States in 1950."

Many Advances Made

Dr. Tainter cited six of the many medical advances since 1870 which have strengthened life expectancy from 34 years to 65 years, the present average. They are anesthesia, Pasteur's bacterial findings, sulfa drugs, penicillin, anti-malarials, and nutritional aids.

"Anesthesia transformed surgery from a 'butcher art' to a science," he said. "Pasteur's monumental research, revealing that infections are caused by microscopic living organisms, bacteria and viruses, was the first great step toward the prevention and cure of infections."

Dr. Tainter singled out the sulfa drugs as providing a major means for prolonging life. He explained that their use by physicians had greatly reduced the death toll from blood infections, pneumonia and meningitis.

Penicillin, intensively studied in the laboratory Dr. Tainter directs, succeeded in curbing some infections when sulfa compounds failed. Now the doctor and his aides are experimenting to find allied agents of penicillin to block other infections.

Health Can Be Packaged

"The development of nutritional aids has proved another factor in reducing the death rate," Dr. Tainter said. "Health can now be packaged and delivered to the physically wrecked and undernourished. Mineral compounds curb rickets in sunless climates. A powder containing vitamin B1 reduces pellagra in our own southern states. Vitamins and minerals strengthen anemic victims. The newer anti-acid hydrolytic restorers body tissues, proving of great aid in rapid healing of serious wounds and burns, and for maintaining life major operations."

While much remains to be done to cure specific degenerative diseases of old age, Dr. Tainter points out that those with diabetes were once given but five years to live but now through insulin may live to old age. Once pernicious anemia victims always died quickly. Now liver injections save them. Once some kinds of meningitis were fatal to 95 percent of its victims. Now sulfa drugs cure about 95 percent.—United Press.

DEPLORES TEEN-AGE SWOONERS

The teen-age girl who gets all fluttery over Frank Sinatra's voice is a bad "marrriage risk" and may need treatment, Alice LaVerne, San Francisco and Beverly Hills psychologist, declares.

"Girls who profess to find romance in the ecstatic voices of crooners are really running away from sexual truth," she said. "Teen-age girls are subconsciously driven by the desire to escape what seems gross and terrifying in males. They find a symbol of purity and sexlessness in crooners with their boy voices."

Miss LaVerne said a study of teen-age girls in San Francisco and Los Angeles revealed that those who worshipped crooners were "confused by adolescence and shockingly misinformed about sex."

She said the normal girl 15 years of age and above should prefer a manly voice.—United Press.

DIVORCE DUE TO ALCOHOL

Half the domestic troubles that have led to an increase in divorces in the United States this year can be blamed on the war and half on alcohol, District Judge Frank McNamee of Las Vegas, Nevada, said.

"Four out of five complainants are women," said Judge McNamee, "but the social stigma of a man divorcing a woman seems to have disappeared."

Troubles arising from the loneliness of war and the excessive drinking of one of the partners, lead the entire field of reasons for the increase in broken homes, the judge said.

During the first three weeks of January, 261 cases of divorce were heard by Judge McNamee, compared with 212 for the four-week period of January, 1946.—United Press.

FROZEN FOOD WILL TASTE MUCH BETTER

Further improvements in the colour and taste of frozen foods are being made as the result of intensive research in biological changes that occur in foods before and after freezing, James A. Berry of the U.S. Department of Agriculture research laboratory, reports.

Berry said there was no future in second-rate frozen foods and "the steady and orderly progress of the industry can only be assured by strict adherence to one guiding principle—quality at its best."

Commercial food freezing is a relatively young industry but the process dates back to early history.

In 1626, Francis Bacon caught a fatal cold while seeking to preserve a goose by stuffing it with snow, Berry said. A little later, Samuel Pepys noted in his famous diary that thrifty burghers in Königsberg, Germany, were freezing fowl to assure themselves of a supply of fresh meat through the winter.

"The idea of freezing fruits," he said, "appears to date from 1904, when the United States Bureau of Plant Industry froze strawberries and other fruits, which proved suitable for pies and pastries. It is recorded that as early as 1905 one firm froze 14 carloads of huckleberries. Real development of fruit freezing, however, was delayed until the early 1920's, and vegetable freezing made its debut as late as 1929."

Temperature Important

Freezing preserves food through preventing microbial growth and the food must be kept at a temperature not higher than 15 degrees Fahrenheit.

A food at this temperature, Berry said, will not spoil, but it has been found advisable to use temperatures below zero in order to preserve more fully the colour and flavour. Under the best conditions, frozen peas have been known to retain all their bright green colour for as long as eight years.

Powerful enzymes must be reckoned with in vegetables which cannot be handled by freezing alone. Berry said vegetables must first be given a steam bath before they are frozen, varying from one minute for peas to eight minutes for corn on the cob.

Freezing processes are little more than an improvement on nature which has been known to preserve mammoths in the ice of northern Siberia for thousands of years.

LENSES FOR LOST CATARACTS

A new type of eyeglass for persons who have had cataracts removed has been announced by an American optical company.

The cataract operation distorts the lens of the eye usually. Spectacles, specially formed, substitute for the lost lens.

The new spectacles are only about half the weight of those previously in use, which had glasses shaped somewhat like the bull-eyes of targets.

The new ones weigh only little more than ordinary spectacles and also protect the eyes against ultraviolet rays with a chemical compound in the glass that filters out these rays.—Associated Press.

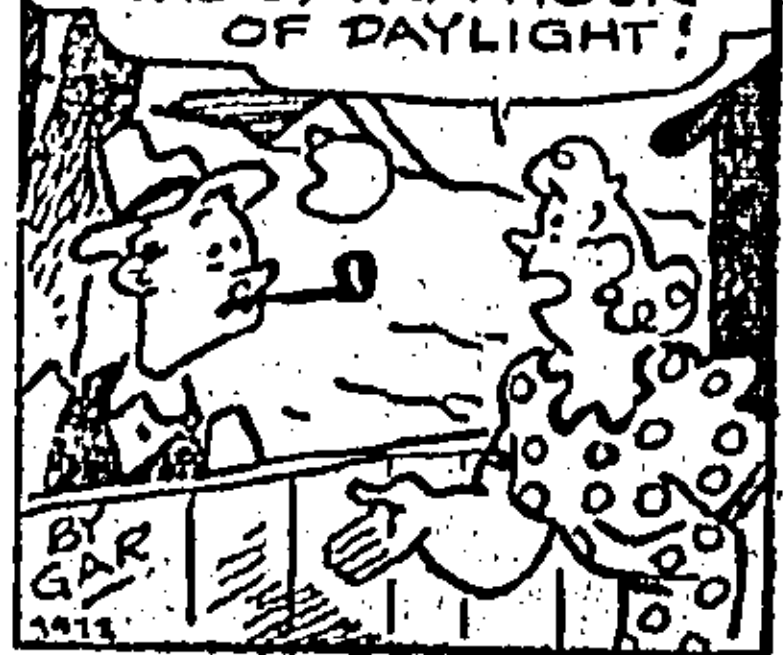
Presidential Term Limitation

Prompt Congressional action on legislation to establish an eight-year limit on the time a United States President may remain in office has been assured by agreement of House Republican leaders.

They said arguments for and against a limitation proposal have been discussed for years, and extensive hearings were not necessary.—Associated Press.

DUMB BELLS

Now that we've put the clocks ahead I don't see why our garden doesn't grow better with the extra hour of daylight!



WINDOW ON THE WORLD

Paris.—Mireille Almeras, 10-year-old brunette, told her parents she was going to become a gang leader. Her father laughed and blamed it on the movies. To-day she is in a Paris goal with a gang of hoodlum boys from the red light district of Rue de Lappe. The boys said she often beat them up when they returned without sufficient stolen money or goods.

VODKA VERBOTEN

New York.—The Methodist Church of America has asked UNO delegates to stop drinking—especially vodka. They say it is as great a crime to try to govern while under the influence as to drive a car in the same condition.

PIEW!

Milan.—A rare 1840 Guatemala stamp was used to post a letter to a friend by a country girl, worked as a domestic in the home of Concetto Feliciari, Well known Milan stamp collector. She thought any old stamp would do and took her pick. Thanks to the post office, it was retrieved.

SPITTOON STRIKE

New York.—The cuspidor (delicate name for spittoon), relic of tobacco-chewing days, still remains in most U.S. Government offices. Charwomen say it is outmoded and dangerous to the health of cleaners in particular. They have refused to clean them from now on.

RESOURCEFUL ANDERSON

Stockholm.—John Anderson, flesky steel puddler, surrendered himself to police after a bicycle he had committed stealing. He told the judge he did it to get away from his nagging wife and in-laws. "Now, I'll have a nice rest in jail," he said hopefully. The judge obliged and gave him 60 days. The judge was thanked "profusely."

CANINE CHINA CLIPPERS

Madrid.—Must, a large Russian woman, owned by a Bilbao dentist, lost his teeth through illness. Though fierce, he underwent the pain of having false teeth fitted by his master, and licked his hand afterward.

SURE TEST—MAYBE

Detroit.—Michigan police had a test for suspected drunken drivers. A toy balloon with a purple chemical inside must be inflated by the suspect. If the purple colour disappears, it indicates the presence of alcohol; the more alcohol, the faster the purple fades.

TB CURE

Buffalo.—Stratpamycin, a mystery drug akin to penicillin, has been used on 41 TB patients over four and a half months. All show improvement. Only three patients continue to show the presence of active bacilli.

CALLING ADMIRAL BYRD

Shag, Yukon.—A new low temperature for North America was recorded at Shag Airport in a recent cold spell. The mercury registered 81 degrees below zero—more than two degrees below a new record set up a week before.

ROUGH MEASURES—AT LAST

Prague.—The government has decided to draft an anti-black market bill to squish the mad whirl of under-the-counter activities. Life imprisonment and the death penalty are mooted for serious offences.

HE'S SORRY NOW

Washington.—Dr. Lee de Forest fathered radio 40 years ago by inventing the Audion tube. He says: "What have you done with my child? You have made him the laughing stock of intelligence—a stench in the nostrils of the gods of the longshore. Murder mysteries rule the waves by night and children are rendered psychopathic by bedtime stories."

WHISKY MYSTERY

New York.—A New York reporter was shocked to pay £11/10/2 for a bottle of Scotch. He decided to find where the money went. Here's what he found: 4/10d goes to Scotland. The merchant gets 15/8d and the government takes 11/7d in taxes. The rest is divided among transportation, insurance, State tax, importer and wholesaler.

COOLING OFF

Bari.—Multimillionaire Evangelista Campobasso, Italian spaghetti king, has been arrested for smuggling to Greece textiles and spaghetti in exchange for cigarettes which he sold in the black market.

MUSEUM THEFT

Nicosia, Cyprus.—The Cyprus government offers £500 reward for the recovery of lost museum pieces, known to total 30, among which were rare old bracelets and a 10 centimetre gold bowl. Authorities are convinced the stolen articles are no longer in Cyprus.

NATIVES BENEFIT

Johannesburg.—Jo'burg mining engineer and former stockbroker Desmond Lench has left all his £102,000 estate to create a fund for the advancement of Bantu negroes of South Africa and the Protectorates.

DUTCH HENS BUSY

Amsterdam.—Dutch egg production is now so large that every Dutchman is assured of 70 eggs in 1947 or a ration of three a fortnight. Two hundred million will be exported. In 1946 the Dutch received three eggs each in the entire year.

PONY EXPRESS

Capetown.—A postcard sent from Pitlochry, Scotland, on July 29, 1800 arrived at the home of Mrs. H. Moyle in Capetown after a 40-year journey.

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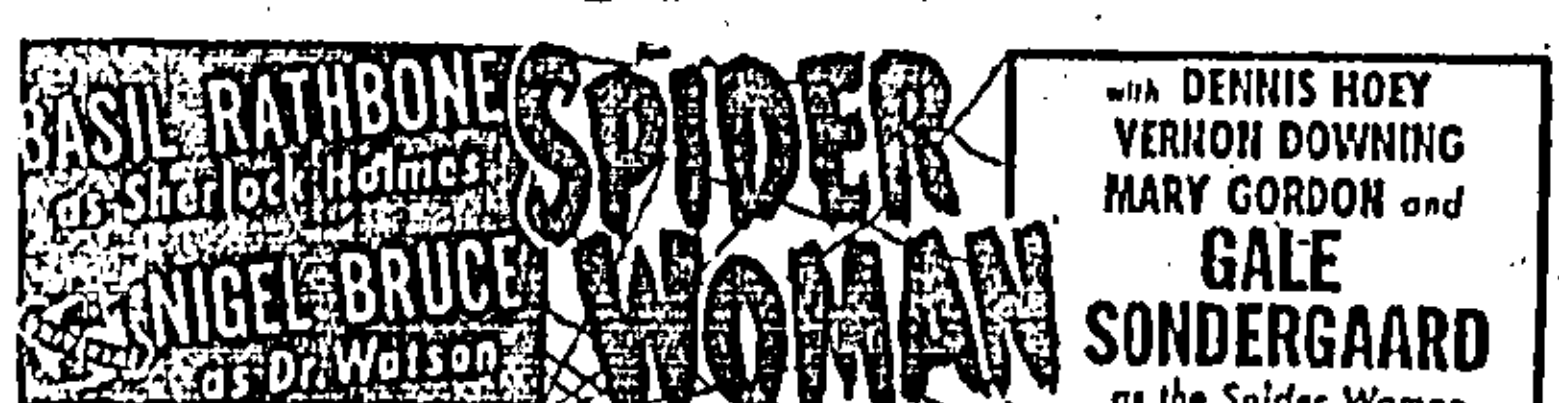
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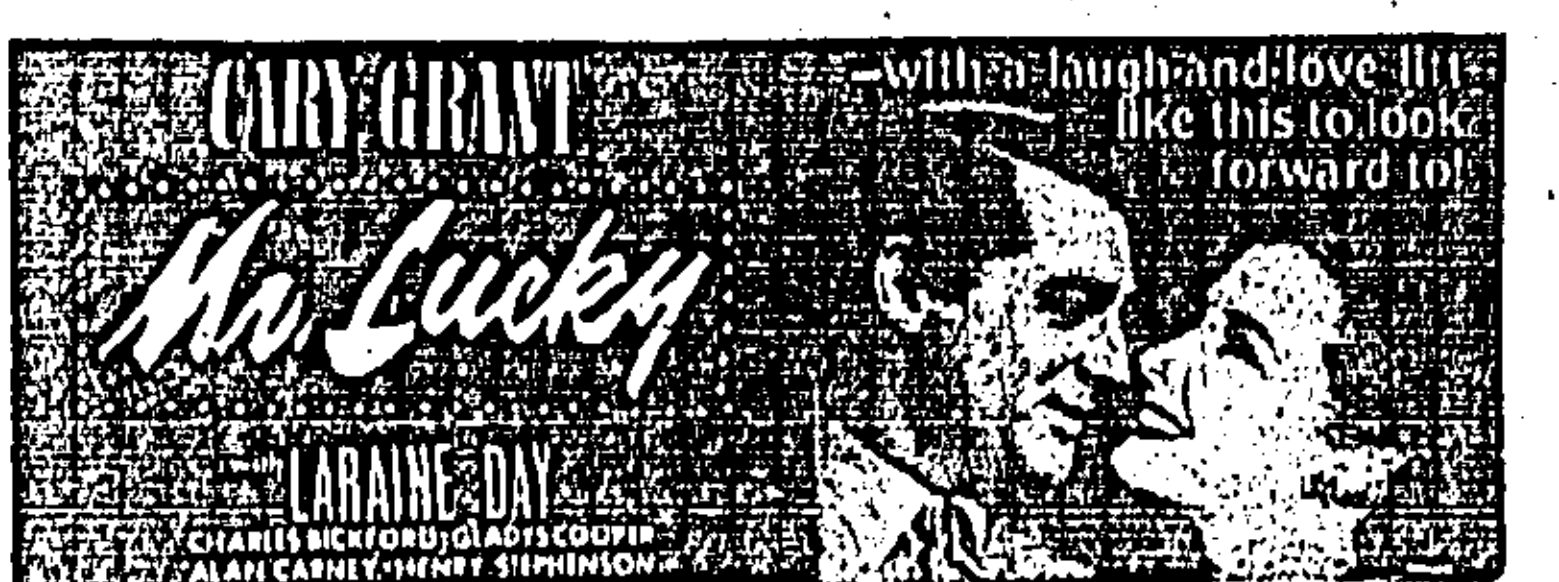
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